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TO : Chief, Plans and Policy Staff

FROM : Chief, Programs Division

SUBJECT: Semi-Monthly Report

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I. Work Completed During the Period

International Communism

(1) The Interdepartmental "JIGSAW" Committee held its first meeting on 28 June 1949, thus ending the organizational development stage of ORE's program on International Communism. From now on the major problem will be one of greasing the wheels and keeping them fixed in the proper direction. Due to the AD's able direction the Programs Division had considerable success in setting up a situation in the JIGSAW Committee in which it will be able to influence the IAC intelligence production program on International Communism.

Inter-Office Coordination

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(2) Discussions were held with [REDACTED] of OSI to determine the respective responsibilities of ORE and OSI in the field of intelligence support to the Research and Development Board.

ORE Production Sub-Committee

(3) Programs Division participated in a number of lengthy meetings of the Production Sub-Committee for the purpose of formulating the final report on Phase I of the Sub-Committee's investigations.

II. Projects in Process

(1) Cities Project

We still have received no official reply from OIR concerning State's part in the Cities Project although Mr. Buford assured us several days ago that an answer would be on its way shortly. [REDACTED] of G/SI has been named to coordinate the project vice B/EE. He has been acquainted with the background material and will be introduced to the key participants in the project.

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(2) External Research

There have been few developments in the External Research Program from the Program Division point of view, although representatives of the Division have participated in several discussions.

(3) Economic Intelligence


A draft statement of the problem has been submitted for informal discussion. Intelligence production requirements are still under study.

(4) Intelligence Production Requirements

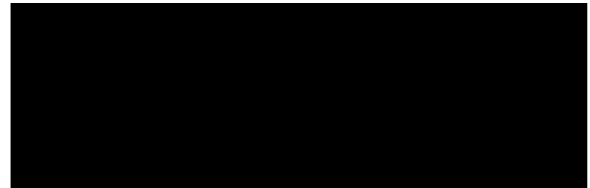
Considerable progress was made in orienting various components of ORE toward the programing concept. B/FE has almost completed step four. B/WE and B/EE are finally getting started in earnest. Other producing components, with the exception of B/NE, have either commenced or are favorably committed. Programs Division will participate in the work of the JIGSAW sub-committee for production requirements.

(5) Orientation

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 has reported for duty with the Division. His orientation is proceeding rapidly and has also been the focus for a general discussion of the problem of orienting all incoming ORE personnel.

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